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APPLICANT: Branderburger, et al.) ATTORNEY DOCKET: 05116835) SERIAL NO.: 10/550,477) GROUP ART UNIT: 3761

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TITLE: CONNECTOR FOR PACKINGS CONTAINING MEDICAL LIQUIDS, AND

CORRESPONDING PACKING FOR MEDICAL LIQUIDS

DATE: January 15, 2010

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT TO THE OFFICE ACTION OF OCTOBER 23, 2009

Dear Sir:

This Response and Amendment are submitted in response to the Office Action mailed October 23, 2009. Examination of the Application is respectfully requested after entry of the following Response and Amendment, which Applicants submit places pending claims in condition for allowance. Applicants hereby submit that if any fees are due in connection with the filing of this Response and Amendment, please charge these fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 13-0019.

Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.